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For: A SHAPING METHOD AND RELATED SHAPER

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant hereby notifies the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of the related pending application which is listed herein and which the Examiner may deem relevant to patentability of the claims of the above-identified application.

1. 09/392,336, filed September 8, 1999, entitled "A Shaping Method, A Shaper Realizing Such a Shaping Method and a Communication Network Including Such a Shaper", by Olivier Bonaventure.

The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits, and therefore no Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) or fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) is required.

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The submission of the listed documents is not intended as an admission that any such document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application. Applicant does not waive any right to take any action that would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove any listed document as a competent reference against the claims of the present application.

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